

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
 SUNDAY, JULY 14, 1996 - 0900 MDT
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

*** ALL FIREFIGHTERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO A SAFE ASSIGNMENT ***

CURRENT SITUATION: Initial attack and large fire activity increased in most Areas of the western United States, necessitating the mobilization of a Type II Incident Management Team in the Northwest. Requests for crews, helicopters, caterers, showers and miscellaneous overhead were processed by NICC for the Rocky Mountain, Northern California and Northwest Areas.

Southern California Large Fires:

GORGE, Angeles NF. A Type I Incident Management Team (Kohut) is assigned, but staging in Ontario, CA. The fire is burning in a remote roadless area in Piru Creek drainage. Retardant drops were effective in slowing the fire spread. Steep, rough terrain is hampering line construction and movement of resources to the fireline. Helicopters are providing transportation for suppression forces. A wilderness area is threatened.

NORTH FORK, Angeles NF. This fire is burning in the San Dimas Canyon. Fire size did not increase although access to the fire is limited. Structures in the lower canyon area are threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	SSS		
	CTN	CTN	PERS		LOST	LOSS	C-T-D	GORGE	ANF	CA	1,100			
10	7/16	885	36	13	11	0	NR	NR	NORTH FORK	ANF	CA	400	0	7/14
291	11	5	4	0	NR	NR								

Northwest Large Fires:

BESSIE BUTTE, Deschutes NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. The fire is burning in lodgepole, ponderosa and brush approximately five miles southeast of Bend, OR. Containment objectives are hindered by high winds, steep terrain and low fuel moisture.

JEFFERSON, Deschutes NF. A Type II Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. The fire is in the Jefferson Wilderness approximately 35 miles northwest of Redmond, OR. Fire activity was moderate yesterday, with spread into lava rock areas. Falling snags have caused concern for firefighter safety. Current threats include Bull trout habitat and wilderness areas.

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				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
BESSIE BUTTE	DEF	OR	100	0	UNK	84	2	7	0	0	NR	NR
JEFFERSON	DEF	OR	1,100	90	7/14	704	26	1	8	0	NR	1.6M

Eastern Great Basin Area Large Fires:

GILSON MOUNTAIN COMPLEX, Richfield District, BLM. A Type II Incident Management Team (Sisk) is assigned. The Complex consists of 4 fires

burning in the Gilson Mountains 25 miles southwest of Nephi, UT. Gusty winds and low fuel moisture caused significant runs on two fires yesterday. Firefighters made good progress toward containment objectives. Management concerns include powerlines, agricultural land and smoke drifting toward Interstate 15.

MP50 HWY 51, Boise District BLM. This fire is burning in grass and sagebrush about 25 miles south of Mountain Home, ID. Burnout operations were successful in stopping fire spread. Fire crews continue to work toward containment objectives.

One fire is in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 303 acres.

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				CTN	CTN					LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
GILSON COMPLEX	RID	UT	7,300	57	7/15	352	12	18	1	0	NR	113K
MP50 HWY 51	BOD	ID	2,400	50	7/14	52	0	7	1	0	NR	NR
HOG FARM	BOD	ID	1,735	100	---	49	0	7	0	0	NR	NR

Rocky Mountain Large Fires:

ZENOBIA, Dinosaur NP. A Type II Incident Management Team (Krugman) is assigned. The fire is burning along the Green River. A confine/contain strategy was adopted, using "light hand on the land" tactics. Suppression forces made good progress on the south and east flanks. Retardant drops on the north flank prevented spread into Jack Springs Canyon. Erratic winds and low fuel moistures caused short range spotting. Current threats include a lookout tower and scattered structures.

WARNER POINT, Montrose District BLM. This fire is located approximately 10 miles north of Montrose, CO. Erratic winds and low fuel moistures are creating control problems. The Black Canyon National Monument and private residences are threatened.

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				CTN	CTN					LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
ZENOBIA	DSP	CO	3,800	40	7/17	234	9	0	4	0	NR	200K
WARNER POINT	MRD	CO	150	0	7/15	50	0	4	0	0	NR	NR

Northern California Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	SSS
				CTN	CTN					LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
DEER	CAS	CA	460	100	---	287	10	6	2	0	10K	NR

Western Great Basin Area Large Fires:

INCIDENT NAME	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	SSS
				CTN	CTN					LOST	LOSS	C-T-D
GARDEN	ELD	NV	2,500	100	---	74	3	2	2	0	NR	NR
REBEL CREEK	WID	NV	600	100	---	27	1	0	1	0	NR	NR

Southwest Area Large Fires:

Two fires are in a confinement suppression strategy totalling 19,736 acres.

Alaska Large Fires:

Twenty-eight fires are in a limited suppression strategy totalling 380,491 acres.

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR ***
 *** EAST AND NORTH CENTRAL NEVADA FOR DRY LIGHTNING ***

A strong upper level ridge and a surface thermal trough extends from Arizona to the Pacific Northwest coast. This very hot and unstable airmass will cause more afternoon thunderstorms to develop from the Sierra Nevada mountains to the southern Oregon border. Scattered thunderstorms are forecasted for Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada and southern Utah. The Pacific Northwest may experience near record temperatures with highs from 90 to 105 degrees. Easterly winds will continue along the Cascade range. Temperatures in the southwest deserts will range from 100 to 115 degrees. The western United States will continue to experience initial attack activity as hot and dry conditions prevail.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		0	0		3		3
NORTHWEST					3	5	8
CA-NORTHERN	1	1			11	13	26
CA-SOUTHERN		2		3		9	14
NORTHERN	4				2	10	16
GB-EASTERN		4				3	7
GB-WESTERN		2				1	3
SOUTHWEST	6	4				18	28
ROCKY MTN		1		2		2	5
EASTERN							0
SOUTHERN					2		2
USA	11	14	0	5	21	61	112

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA		16,300	80		250		16,630
NORTHWEST					1	401	402
CA-NORTHERN	1	0			1	0	2

ACRES BURNED: Year to date							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	STATES	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	14	201,343	95,134	6,573	242,442	141	545,647
NORTHWEST	2,553	21,083	1,547	2	594	1444	27,223
CA-NORTHERN	30	731		6	5,280	354	6,401
CA-SOUTHERN	997	32,149	25	32	84,287	26,328	143,818
NORTHERN	2,670	192	2,796	3	547	431	6,639
GB-EASTERN	306	401,628		5	43,834	13,521	459,294
GB-WESTERN		66,251		29	2,620	4,296	73,196
SOUTHWEST	33,386	7,725	3,053	4,974	71,020	204,980	325,138
ROCKY MTN	20,650	3,572		164	16,657	23,587	64,630
EASTERN	566			358	153,976	18,404	173,304
SOUTHERN	1,781		29,478	10,632	1,022,458	41,171	1,105,520
USA	62,953	734,674	132,033	22,778	1,643,715	334,657	2,930,810
5 YEAR AVERAGE							1,075,801

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES

PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE	
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	399	15,153
YUKON TERRITORY	1	21,169	116	88,683
ALBERTA	5	3	220	1,387
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	236	163,818
SASKATCHEWAN	32	129	249	8,079
MANITOBA	9	13	216	60,056
ONTARIO	9	80	901	411,064
QUEBEC	5	104	880	463,248
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	0	60	4,215
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	239	1,600
NOVA SCOTIA	0	1	232	638
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	19	194
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	45	14,352
TOTALS	66	21,499	3,812	1,232,487

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

NR = No Report

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